s17 Geometric Series Exam (Practice v4)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 713, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{7}{31}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S = 713 + 614.42 + 529.46 + 456.26 + 393.17 + 338.81 + 291.97 + 251.6 + 216.81 + 186.83$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS \ = \ 614.42 + 529.46 + 456.26 + 393.17 + 338.81 + 291.97 + 251.6 + 216.81 + 186.83 + 161$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 3 + 3(2) + 3(2)^{2} + 3(2)^{3} + \cdots + 3(2)^{65} + 3(2)^{66} + 3(2)^{67} + 3(2)^{68}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.